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FROM AF/EX - ABIDJAN FOR RSO'S MULVEY AND CHORNYAK

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SUBJECT: MARING SECURITY GUARDS FOR VIP VISIT

1. PENDING RECOMMENDATIONS OF RSO'S ADVANCING MS. LILLIAN TRIP, BUREAU CONSIDERING ASSIGNMENT OF MSG'S TO PROVIDE 24 HR. COVERAGE FOR OPEN STORAGE OF CLASSIFIED MATERIALS AT HOTELS HOUSING ASST. SECRETARY MOOSE.
2. POSTS ARE HEREBY INFORMED THAT DEPARTMENT'S AGREEMENT WITH USMC STIPULATES THAT HOST GOVERNMENTS MUST BE INFORMED OF PRESENCE OF MARINES, AND OF FACT THAT THEY CARRY WEAPONS. HOST GOVERNMENTS MUST PROVIDE ASSURANCES THAT TDY MARINES WILL BE ACCORDED IMMUNITIES GIVEN ALL OFFICIAL USG PERSONNEL IN COUNTRY.

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3. SUGGEST POST INFORM HOST GOVERNMENTS, VIA DIP NOTE OR OTHER APPROPRIATE MEANS, OF INCREASE OF EMBASSY STAFF BY ALL TDY'ERS, AND, SPECIFICALLY, OF OUR INTENT TO ASSIGN MARINE SECURITY GUARDS WHO WILL, AS IS STANDARD PROCEDURE BE ARMED. NOTE SHOULD INCLUDE STANDARD LANGUAGE WHICH REQUESTS HOST GOVT TO ACCORD IMMUNITIES GRANTED TO ALL USG PERSONNEL ASSIGNED IN COUNTRY.

4. ADVISE HOST GOVT AGREEMENT BY IMMEDIATE CABLE. CHRISTOPHER

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